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HELD AT  
BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA  
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Report of the meeting of the Ground Water  
Management Commission, State of Louisiana, on September  
13, 2002, in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

COMMISSION MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Karen Gautreaux, Chairman

Hall Bohlinger, Secretary, Department of Environmental  
Quality

George Cardwell, Capital Area Ground Water Conservation  
District

Richard Durrett, Sparta Groundwater Conservation

Dr. Fulbert L. Namwamba, At Large - Geologist &  
Engineer

John Roussel, Department of Wildlife & Fisheries

Phil Boudreaux, Department of Natural Resources  
District

Dean Lowe, Department of Health and Hospitals

Linda Zaunbrecher, Farm Bureau Member

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order - Karen Gautreaux
- II. Update on Staff Activities - Anthony Duplechin
- III. Discussion of the Sparta Groundwater  
Conservation District Commission's Application  
- Anthony Duplechin
- IV. Update on Advisory Task Force Activity  
- Anthony Duplechin
- V. Old Business
- VI. New Business: Advisory Task Force  
recommendation concerning Public  
Supply/Economic Development Committee Proposal
- VII. Schedule for Next Meeting
- VIII. Adjourn

GROUND WATER MANAGEMENT

COMMISSION MEETING

SEPTEMBER 13, 2002

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COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

Welcome to the 12th meeting on Friday the 13th for the Ground Water Management Commission. And what I'd like to do is ask our commissioners to introduce themselves for the record. And I'll start. I'm Karen Gautreaux, Governor Foster's Office.

COMMISSIONER CARDWELL:

George Cardwell, Capital Area Ground Water Commission.

COMMISSIONER ZAUNBRECHER:

Linda Zaunbrecher, Louisiana Farm Bureau.

DR. NAMWAMBA:

Fulbert Namwamba, geologist and engineer.

COMMISSIONER LOWE:

Dean Lowe, Department of Health and Hospitals.

COMMISSIONER BOUDREAUX:

Phil Boudreaux, Department of Natural Resources.

COMMISSIONER BOHLINGER:

Hall Bohlinger, Louisiana DEQ.

COMMISSIONER ROUSSEL:

John Roussel, Department of Wildlife and Fisheries.

COMMISSIONER DURRETT:

Richard Durrett, Sparta Ground Water Commission.

COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

Okay. Thank you. Our second item on the agenda

1 is the update on staff activities, and Tony  
2 is going to review those for us now.

3 MR. DUPLECHIN:

4 Thank you, Karen. As far as water well  
5 information sheet submissions go, as of the 12th of  
6 this month we had received an additional 86 sheets,  
7 which brings the total to 510. Four just cause waivers  
8 were issued since the last Commission meeting for  
9 reasons of short notice from the owner, construction  
10 deadlines or people needing water in a hurry for fire  
11 prevention. Seven forms were received less than 60  
12 days prior to the anticipated well installation date  
13 for which the owner did not request a just cause  
14 variance. These were all agricultural wells. And 15  
15 forms were received after the installation of the well.  
16 These also were agricultural wells. The usual items  
17 were posted on the website, both the summaries of the  
18 Task Force and Commission meeting and the transcript of  
19 the Commission meeting, announcements and agendas for  
20 today's meeting. There were also some other things  
21 posted that I'll go over later and under another  
22 bullet.

23 On July 1st, a joint oversight hearing was held by  
24 the senate and house environment committees. The main  
25 topic of discussion was at that time the pending rules  
26 for conduct of hearings, for critical groundwater areas  
27 designation applications. I know that many of you here  
28 today were at that hearing as were several members of  
29 the Task Force. I'd like to take this opportunity to  
30 thank all of you for your continued support in this

endeavor. The rule was approved, and it became effective upon its publishing in the July 20, 2002 edition of the *Louisiana Register*.

The staff has attended several meetings including the August luncheon meeting of the Baton Rouge Chapter of the League of Women Voters at which a panel discussion on water management was conducted. Panelists included Senator James David Cain, Representative William Daniel, Brad Hanson of the Louisiana Geological Survey and Dr. Bruce Darling of LBG-Guyton & Associates. Staff has also met with representatives of Webster Parish to discuss water management and planning.

On Monday and Tuesday of this week, I attended a symposium sponsored by the Gulf Restoration Network entitled "When the Water Runs Dry." Speakers included Dr. Len Bahr, U.S. Geological Survey Louisiana District Chief, Charlie Demas, and Kyle McCann of Louisiana Farm Bureau, and Karen Gautreaux gave the welcoming talk to the group. The Sparta Groundwater Conservation District has submitted an application to have part of the Sparta declared critical, and we will discuss this a little bit later on in the agenda as well.

Finally, the staff has met with our consultants. C. H. Fenstermaker & Associates, on numerous occasions since the beginning of this current fiscal year. Much progress is being made with the part two deliverable. Fenstermaker was given the go ahead to go public with the website that they have prepared as part of part one. The address for that website is

1 www.la-water.org. Fenstermaker also took an active  
2 part in the multi-committee meeting that the advisory  
3 Task Force held last Wednesday, and here again, I'll go  
4 over in detail about that later on during the meeting.  
5 And that concludes my report.

6 COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

7 Any questions for Tony on those items?

8 (No response.)

9 COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

10 Okay. Our next item is discussion of the Sparta  
11 Groundwater Conservation District application for a  
12 critical groundwater designation.

13 MR. DUPLECHIN:

14 Okay. The Sparta Groundwater Conservation  
15 District's Board of Commissioners had a notice of  
16 intent to apply to the Louisiana Groundwater Management  
17 Commission to have a portion of the Sparta aquifer  
18 declared critical published in 12 North Louisiana  
19 newspapers. The application was presented to  
20 Commissioner Gautreaux and me in Ruston on July 25th.  
21 On August 7th, the staff informed the Sparta that in  
22 order for the application to be deemed administratively  
23 complete, additional information was needed. The  
24 specifics were spelled out in a letter to the Sparta, a  
25 copy of which was e-mailed to all Commissioners. The  
26 requested information was received by the staff on  
27 August 16th, and on August 23rd the staff informed the  
28 Sparta District that the application was  
29 administratively complete. The application is  
30 currently undergoing technical review. We have posted

1 the original application, our letter to them requesting  
2 more information, the revised application and the  
3 letter to them indicating that the application was  
4 administratively complete on the Commission's website.  
5 Yesterday we received a copy of the Meyer, Meyer,  
6 LaCroix & Hixson report on CD, and we're in the process  
7 of getting that posted on the website as well. In the  
8 packets that we passed out to you all today, you have a  
9 copy of those four things as well as a copy of the CD.

10 In accordance with the rules concerning hearings  
11 for critical groundwater area designation applications,  
12 the next step in the review process is for the  
13 Commission to schedule one initial public hearing in  
14 the locality of the area affected by the application.  
15 It has been assumed that this hearing, initial hearing,  
16 would be held in Ruston. The staff has taken the  
17 liberty of checking into some available venues and  
18 dates and have come up with a few possibilities. I'd  
19 like to point out that the only time constraint for  
20 this hearing is the 30-day advance notice requirement.  
21 Notice must be published in the official state journal  
22 and the official parish journal of each parish affected  
23 by the application and shall contain the date, time and  
24 place of the hearing, as well as the location of  
25 materials available for public inspection. As part of  
26 this completeness determination, the staff asked that a  
27 copy of the application and supporting documentation be  
28 placed with the parish government of each parish  
29 affected and at the main branch of the parish library  
30 in each parish.

1 COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

2 Are there any questions on the application, the  
3 application for Sparta?

4 COMMISSIONER DURRETT:

5 I've got a couple. The technical review, would  
6 you explain who's doing that or how that's done?

7 MR. DUPLECHIN:

8 The technical review will be handled mainly by the  
9 Commission staff, and we'll work closely with the Task  
10 Force in conducting that review, but like U.S.  
11 Geological Survey and the Louisiana Geological Survey.

12 COMMISSIONER DURRETT:

13 And then when will that be complete or what's the  
14 schedule for that; at what point do we --

15 MR. DUPLECHIN:

16 We don't have a schedule for completing, you know,  
17 when we hope to have it complete by. It just depends  
18 on how long it takes for the review to take place.

19 COMMISSIONER DURRETT:

20 In the rules there is not set time?

21 MR. DUPLECHIN:

22 No, sir.

23 COMMISSIONER DURRETT:

24 Does it have to be complete before the public  
25 hearings?

26 MR. DUPLECHIN:

27 No, sir. In fact, the public hearing is part of  
28 the review to receive comments.

29 COMMISSIONER DURRETT:

30 One other question. The question about putting

1 the information at each parish library and each, I  
2 guess, police jury office or government attorney  
3 office, in what form does that have to be?  
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5 MR. DUPLECHIN:

6 Well, as we discussed a little while ago, if the  
7 libraries and/or police juries, whatever the local  
8 government body is, has someone available to show  
9 members of the public how to call it up on the  
10 computer, then I don't think we'll have a problem with  
11 the electronic version being available there.

12 COMMISSIONER DURRETT:

13 At either place?

14 MR. DUPLECHIN:

15 At either place.

16 COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

17 Yes, that's all we would want for the public to  
18 have access to obviously. Any other questions about  
19 the application process?

20 (No response.)

21 COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

22 Okay.

23 COMMISSIONER ROUSSEL:

24 After the public hearings is when the Sparta  
25 Groundwater Commission will actually make a  
26 presentation to us reviewing the application, or is the  
27 application only going to be reviewed in the paper  
28 form? Will there be an informational presentation?

29 MR. DUPLECHIN:

30 At that initial public hearing is when the  
applicant will have their opportunity to make a formal

1 presentation, and anyone else will be able to speak as  
2 well.

3 COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

4 All right. Our next item is the update on the  
5 Advisory Task Force activity, and we had I think a very  
6 productive meeting on September 4th, I guess, last  
7 Wednesday. Anyway, we had a very good discussion with  
8 the consultant onboard with us that lasted I guess  
9 about two and a half, three hours. And it helped quite  
10 a bit in terms of teasing out issues that should be  
11 addressed, that the Task Force felt should be  
12 addressed. And we had great attendance I'd like to  
13 say. I was very pleased and a little bit surprised  
14 that we hadn't had such good attendance, but I hope it  
15 continues.

16 MR. DUPLECHIN:

17 There are three main topics that were discussed by  
18 C. H. Fenstermaker. They made short presentations on  
19 each one and then opened the floor to discussion. The  
20 first one was critical groundwater area designation  
21 criteria. I'll just read from our notes. There was  
22 discussion about declaring a stressed area as critical  
23 as a preventive measure. A critical area may change  
24 status in the future and be declared noncritical. The  
25 Task Force agrees that micromanaging aquifers is not  
26 the intention of the legislation. Taking proactive or  
27 reactive measures would depend upon the size of the  
28 staff that came up with the ultimate program.

29 The second topic we talked about was a discussion  
30 of water rights. The discussion was given of the

1 different water rights systems in the U.S.  
2 operates some -- they're a pretty much a rule of  
3 capture. And under the current legislation, an area is  
4 either critical or noncritical. There is no in  
5 between.

6 The third thing that we discussed were possible  
7 agency designations and structures, more a structure  
8 than designation. Three approaches were discussed, the  
9 top down approach in which you'd have a main Louisiana  
10 water resources agency here in Baton Rouge and then  
11 regional water resources agencies located throughout  
12 the state. The second one was a top down approach with  
13 regional administration which will give a little bit  
14 more autonomy to the regional offices. The third  
15 approach was a regional planning approach where the  
16 regional offices would have a good deal of authority in  
17 determining what went on in their region, and they  
18 would report back to Baton Rouge, but the main power  
19 would be in the different regions.

20 And like Karen said, the meeting went on for  
21 several hours, it was well attended, and there was a  
22 lot of good interaction between everyone that was  
23 there. And I hope that that keeps up as well.

24 COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

25 And I guess I'd like typically we invite our Task  
26 Force members to make comments if they'd like to, and  
27 maybe this would be an appropriate spot if anyone from  
28 the Task Force would like to add anything to that. I  
29 think in terms of the organizational structure the  
30 second one actually had arrows going both ways, which I

1 think a number of people felt was consistent with the  
2 legislative intent, having consistent framework  
3 statewide, some mechanism to get meaningful, local  
4 input and participation in the process. So anybody  
5 else want to comment on the Task Force meeting?  
6 Fulbert?

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8 DR. NAMWAMBA:

9 I'm Fulbert Namwamba. I don't have a comment  
10 really. I just said if you could give me a summary  
11 report, I wasn't able to be at the meeting. I would be  
12 most interested in a summary report. Thank you.

13 COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

14 Okay. Well, let's move on to the next item, old  
15 business.

16 MR. DUPLECHIN:

17 There is no real old business unless you want to  
18 talk about the hearing.

19 COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

20 The hearing?

21 MR. DUPLECHIN:

22 How we want to proceed.

23 COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

24 Well, I think what we're going to do is probably  
25 shoot for, I think, around November to set up the  
26 public hearing, and in fact we're going to check on  
27 availability. Of course, it's going to depend on staff  
28 review, but we're probably looking for around the  
29 November time frame to hold that public hearing in  
30 North Louisiana. Are there any big -- or just please  
let us know. I don't know if we have to go on about it

1 too much, there that is a very major event that our  
2 commissioners will be involved in that we should try to  
3 void that time. It's most likely a Monday or Tuesday  
4 night. I understand you're going to ask for that time?

5 MR. DUPLECHIN:

6 Yes. In looking at the available dates that we  
7 have and the time frame, like I said, it's a 30 days'  
8 minimum newspaper notice, public notice, before we can  
9 have the hearing, and I would like to make sure that  
10 the items are where the public can inspect them well  
11 before the hearing. We're looking at the middle two  
12 weeks of November possibly as the time for having the  
13 hearing, as I said, up in Ruston, and it will be in the  
14 evening. And looking at what goes on in people's  
15 social lives, I guess is the best way to put it, during  
16 the week Monday and Tuesday are probably the best  
17 nights because we would like to have good participation  
18 by the public, and Thursdays and Fridays are typically  
19 high school football nights during the fall, and a lot  
20 of people go to religious services on Wednesday nights,  
21 and one of the possible venues is the meeting room at  
22 one of the local churches in Ruston. So that leaves us  
23 with the Monday and Tuesday possibilities.

24 COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

25 As I understand it, the primary item that we need  
26 to get out to the library is the report because the  
27 report by the Sparta consultant in the amended  
28 application was part of that, so it did not go out, the  
29 original. So we're just taking care. We want to make  
30 sure that it's in the library and that people have

adequate time to look at that prior to the hearing so that they can prepare their comments, so we'll be working on that.

COMMISSIONER DURRETT:

So the staff is going to work on setting the date?

COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

Right, and we're looking probably at the earlier mid November.

MR. DUPLECHIN:

Yes. I have put calendars in your packets as well for the next four months including September. And we're looking at either the week of the 11th or 18th of November.

COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

And I guess I would encourage us, if there is no big conflict, to do it earlier rather than later in November.

MR. DUPLECHIN:

Here again, it depends on where we can --

COMMISSIONER DURRETT:

Well, I think the 11th or the 4th, I think we could do that if nobody has a big conflict with that.

COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

And we'll have the material.

COMMISSIONER DURRETT:

Oh, that's right. The 11th is a holiday.

DR. NAMWAMBA:

The 11th is a holiday?

COMMISSIONER DUPLECHIN:

Yes, the 11th is a holiday.

1 COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

2 This is the election day.

3 COMMISSIONER DURRETT:

4 What?

5 COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

6 This is election day. We're looking at a Monday  
7 or a Tuesday, so that would mean the --

8 DR. NAMWAMBA:

9 I would hope it would be a Monday if possible.

10 COMMISSIONER DURRETT:

11 I said the 4th.

12 COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

13 Okay, all right. Well, we could select two  
14 tentative days, and we'll work on the venue. But if  
15 you can avoid making commitments for those two days,  
16 that would be helpful. The 4th as well?

17 DR. NAMWAMBA:

18 The 4th and 18th.

19 COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

20 No, not the 4th?

21 COMMISSIONER DURRETT:

22 That's our police jury meeting.

23 COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

24 Oh, okay. I'm sorry.

25 COMMISSIONER DURRETT:

26 I can't have it then.

27 COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

28 All right.

29 MR. DUPLECHIN:

30 What about the 4th and the 18th?

1 DR. NAMWAMBA:

2 How about the 18th?

3 COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

4 Let's say the 4th and the 18th with the 4th being  
5 -- not the 4th?

6 COMMISSIONER DURRETT:

7 The 4th is fine.

8 COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

9 Okay.

10 COMMISSIONER DURRETT:

11 The 12th is when --

12 COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

13 Let's tentatively reserve those evenings, and  
14 we'll work on the venue and get back with you as  
15 quickly as possible. Richard, I think you're going to  
16 let Tony know when the material is in all the  
17 libraries.

18 COMMISSIONER DURRETT:

19 Yes, right. That's the reason I wanted to get a  
20 tentative date to see when I have to have it there.  
21 But if we can do it on CD, it's a lot easier than if I  
22 have to reproduce 22 of these full size.

23 COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

24 Right. They're pretty voluminous. But if you  
25 would, and I know you will, but make sure that there is  
26 a computer and someone there that can assist them with  
27 it.

28 COMMISSIONER DURRETT:

29 I understand.

30 COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

1           Okay. All right. At the Task force meeting --  
2  
3 this is actually kind of old business, too -- a few  
4 months back Mr. Owen came before the Task Force and the  
5 Commission with reports and proposals relating to the  
6 incorporation of a couple of items into the water plan,  
7 and at the Task force meeting, Mr. Owen and actually  
8 Brad Spicer of our Commission had prepared a  
9 recommendation that the Task Force discussed, and you  
10 have a modified version in front of you. I think this  
11 is consistent with what Mr. Owen and Brad were trying  
12 to put before the Commission. And this is a  
13 recommendation to the Louisiana Ground Water Management  
14 Commission regarding the authority to confront the need  
15 to operate water treatment. I'm just going to go ahead  
16 and read it to you rather than try to summarize it.  
17 It's fairly short. But what I've done is just tweaked  
18 the copy you have in front of you I think to better  
19 reflect what the Task Force is recommending.

20           This is a Recommendation to the Louisiana Ground  
21 Water Management Commission, and it says, "The Ground  
22 Water Management Advisory Task Force requests that the  
23 Ground Water Management Commission direct C. H.  
24 Fenstermaker and Associates," who are our people who  
25 prepared the plan, "to consider the following items in  
26 their development of a comprehensive statewide water  
27 management plan: 1) provisions addressing the  
28 authority to construct, finance and operate water  
29 treatment and transmission facilities for the purpose  
30 of reducing or abandoning the extraction of groundwater  
in favor of surface water, and 2) provisions addressing

incentives to encourage the public and private sectors to invest in the installation of equipment and implementation of processes to conserve water use and to reduce or abandon groundwater extraction."

Now, some of the Task Force discussion -- and again I'll open it up to Task Force members to comment if they would like to -- most of the development of that was actually -- those were items that the consultants would be addressing. It's actually pretty much included in the scope of services for them to address it. Nevertheless, they felt these were important items that maybe should be publicly endorsed to a certain extent, to say, yes, we do think these items are important to address. So with that, I guess we can perhaps have a motion and second to open it for discussion if you want to do that. Would anybody like to make the motion to --

COMMISSIONER DURRETT:

So move.

COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

Mr. Durrett, do we have a second?

COMMISSIONER BOUDREAUX:

Second.

COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

Phil, okay. So now we can open it up to discussion. Are there any questions or comments by the Commission Members?

(No response.)

COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

All right. I'm not sure if any Task Force members

1 feel that they ought to chime in, but there was a  
2 discussion if anybody feels that something should be  
3 commented upon prior to the vote, if you'd like to  
4 expound. All right. Well, all in favor?

5 (Aye.)

6 COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

7 Any opposed?

8 (No response.)

9 COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

10 Okay. Thank you. All right. Schedule for next  
11 meeting. I would like to say that we're in the process  
12 of talking about this at this point. So our  
13 consultants, I believe, are shooting for a first draft  
14 by the end of October. So it may be most useful if we  
15 get together with them and have a joint Commission and  
16 Task Force meeting to actually begin discussing or  
17 continue the discussions on policy development. We can  
18 have a separate meeting within that meeting if we need  
19 to take action with the Commission. All right. And  
20 also I guess we'd want to be updated if there are any  
21 events relative to those public meetings coming up that  
22 we need to be briefed on.

23 COMMISSIONER ZAUNBRECHER:

24 Karen?

25 COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

26 Yes.

27 COMMISSIONER ZAUNBRECHER:

28 Do you have a tentative date for that meeting?

29 COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

30 For the -- no, but I would say probably late

October would be -- perhaps the third or fourth week of October, and I know there is -- but not Monday or Tuesday --

COMMISSIONER ZAUNBRECHER:

Not that week.

COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

Not that week? Okay.

DR. NAMWAMBA:

How about Friday?

COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

Friday the 1st?

DR. NAMWAMBA:

If we could fit it in.

COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

Okay. All right. Well, we could try the 18th or the 25th.

COMMISSIONER DURRETT:

Not the 18th.

COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

What about the 25th? The 25th? All right. The 25th of October, and we'll let you know if this room is available, and if not, we'll make arrangements for another room.

DR. NAMWAMBA:

Karen?

COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

Yes.

DR. NAMWAMBA:

That would be the joint meeting between the Task Force and the Commission?

1 COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

2 Yes. Well --

3 COMMISSIONER LOWE:

4 Karen, at that joint meeting would you be having  
5 kind of like a similar format like we had before the  
6 Task Force, or how do you see that meeting?

7 COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

8 I would think that -- and this -- I'm responding  
9 on my own. I'm the only one sitting up here, so -- but  
10 basically what I think we can do is get the consultants  
11 who are developing their drafts, and it may be useful  
12 for them to have a similar format in terms of  
13 reiterating the issues that we've been addressing, do  
14 you think we're missing anything and get some feedback  
15 on those particular issues. So I imagine a similar  
16 format.

17 COMMISSIONER LOWE:

18 I am sure in favor of that. We had an extremely  
19 good meeting that time, and I think that would be great  
20 to have the Commission be able to participate in that  
21 interchange.

22 COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

23 Yes, I think so, too. Thank you. John?

24 COMMISSIONER ROUSSEL:

25 This is actually going back over some ground we  
26 just covered, but last year the Sparta Ground Water  
27 Commission petition and the work done by the  
28 consultants with the Sparta Commission, will the first  
29 opportunity we have to see a presentation from those  
30 consultants be at the public hearing; we will be

1 exposed to the consultants' presentation at the same  
2 time as the public, or was there a plan for the  
3 Commission here to see that presentation before that  
4 public hearing at some other meeting? I mean, I don't  
5 know if that was thought of, but it would appear to be  
6 at least from my perspective better to see it before I  
7 was put in a public hearing forum. Now, of course, I  
8 do have a CD copy that I can review, but it's not like  
9 getting a presentation from a consultant.

10 COMMISSIONER DURRETT:

11 If you would like, we can do it on the 26th.

12 COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

13 That sounds good, and the Task Force would have an  
14 opportunity --

15 COMMISSIONER DURRETT:

16 Because I assume that's going to turn out to be an  
17 all-day deal or, I mean, a longer meeting

18 COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

19 Yes, it will hopefully be much longer.

20 COMMISSIONER DURRETT:

21 And we can do it then.

22 COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

23 That will be great.

24 COMMISSIONER DURRETT:

25 Just let me know when during the meeting how you  
26 want to handle it, and we'll work that out.

27 COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

28 Okay. Good. Thank you, Mr. Durrett. All right.  
29 Any other questions? Is there a motion to adjourn?

30 COMMISSIONER ZAUNBRECHER:

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So move.

COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

Is there a second?

DR. NAMWAMBA:

Second

COMMISSIONER GAUTREAUX:

All right. Thank you all.

## CERTIFICATE

I, LYNDA D. HABIG, Certified Court Reporter, do hereby certify that the foregoing meeting was held on September 13, 2002, in the Conservation and Mineral Resources Hearing Room, LaSalle Building, 617 North Third Street, 1st Floor, Baton Rouge, Louisiana; that I did report the proceedings thereof; that the foregoing pages, numbered 1 through 24, inclusive, constitute a true and correct transcript of the proceedings thereof.

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